

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

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Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

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Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 13 September 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

This computer image file is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a), s3(2)(b) and s3(2)(e) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes, and bestiality. It also tends to promote and support the use of violence to compel participation in, or submission to, sexual conduct. The image is an illustration that shows a young girl involved in a sexual act with an animal, which has elements of violence or coercion. Such images create or reinforce a sexual interest in children and appeal to people who have a predilection for violent sexual activity. The image also encourages bestiality. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications that fall under the criteria of s3(2) of the FVPC Act will be banned. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.